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NT 601CO New Testament I

Monday Evenings, 6-9 PM, Beginning January 11

The course explores the background, literary art, theological teaching, and contemporary message of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and Acts. Attention is given to the canonical significance of these writings and to their value for ministry.

ST 603CO Systematic Theology III

Thursday Evenings, 6-9 PM, Beginning January 14

This course concludes a systematic presentation of the Christian faith. Using biblical constructs, historical developments, and confessional statements, students explore the doctrine of the Holy Spirit and salvation, the doctrine of the church and sacraments, and the doctrine of last things.

Dr. Ross brings 30 years of pastoral ministry to his current work of training leaders for the church. His writings include *Let's Study Matthew* (Banner of Truth, 2009) and "The Inerrancy of Holy Scripture" in *The Reformation Study Bible* (Reformation Trust, 2015). He is a minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. Education: B.A., University of Pittsburgh, 1974; M.Div., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1979; Ph.D., University of Keele, England, 1984.

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Seniors and Alumni audit at no cost



Rev. John Paul Marr, Associate Professor of Divinity
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WP 550CO Basic Preaching

Monday Afternoons, 1-4 PM, Beginning January 11

This is an introductory course on the planning, construction and delivery of biblical sermons. Emphasis is placed upon the step-by-step development of sermons which relate the ancient witness of the biblical text to concrete and contemporary human situations and concerns. Opportunity is given for practical experience in the writing and delivery of sermons.

PS 501CO Presbyterian History and Polity

Monday Evenings, 6-9 PM, Beginning January 11

This course provides an introduction to the history and polity of selected Presbyterian denominations, including the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, and the Presbyterian Church in America. Students explore the governing structures, principles, and procedures for church discipline, and forms of worship of these Presbyterian denominations in order to prepare for a variety of ordained and non-ordained ministries within them.

From receiving unexpected alms at the hands of a kind tourist while sitting on the steps of an Aberdeen church to participating in the 250th anniversary of the Cahans Exodus, John Paul's Ph.D. research into Presbyterian history has led to many wonderful experiences that all become part of the learning environment of his courses. Enter into his imagination whether exploring the ministerial outworking of the Marrow controversy or how preaching the gospel can send one to an Irish jail (with a night stay first at a nearby tavern - beverage included). Add to this John Paul's pastoral routine of writing puppet sketches, jumping ditches while being chased by a local dog, and honking on a saxophone, all part of his serving as the minister of Troy Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.